

Continuing Education Conversion List

As of April 1, 2009, you are required to submit forty 40 continuing education hours every two years to renew your license. The MBOE has changed the method of calculating continuing education from Social Work Units (SWUs) or Contact Hours to Continuing Education Hours (CE). A Contact Hour is based on 50 minutes of training; A CE hour is based on 60 minutes of training.

1 continuing education (CE) hour = 1 clock hour (60 minutes)

1 contact hour = .1 SWU

10 contact hours = 1 SWU

.36 SWU = 3.6 contact hours

.72 SWU = 7.2 contact hours

_____ SWU ÷ .1 = _____ contact hours

For renewal purposes, unused contact hours that were obtain on or before 12/31/2009 shall be listed on your continuing education report as CE hours without conversion (3.6 contact hrs = 3.6 CE hrs). SWUs or contact hours obtained after 12/31/2009 must be converted to continuing education hours (3.6 contact hrs = 3 CE hrs).

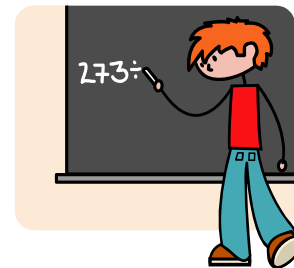
Example for converting SWUs to CE hours:

_____ SWUs ÷ .12 = _____ CE hours

1 SWUs ÷ .12 = 8.33 CE hours

Sue attends a conference worth 1.9 SWUs.

1.9 SWUs ÷ .12 = 15.8 CE hours



Example for converting contact hours to continuing education hours:

_____ contact hour ÷ 1.2 = _____ continuing education hours

Sue attends a conference worth .72 SWUs or 7.2 contact hours

7.2 contact hour's ÷ 1.2 = 6 continuing education hours

Sometimes you may attend a conference where the continuing education is listed as continuing education units (CEUs), clock hours, or continuing education (CE) hours. Continuing education hours **are not** the same as continuing education units. Continuing education hours are based on sixty (60) minutes or one clock hour of approved instruction. One continuing education unit (CEU) is equal to ten (10) continuing education (CE) hours.

For additional information see pages 49-51 of the rules on the web at www.swmft.ms.gov

Please note that all conferences and workshops must be pre-approved by NASW. You may contact NASW at (601) 936-0557 or visit their website at www.naswms.com for questions on pre-approved conference or workshop information.